

Making Headway In City League Problem

Eight little flags,
Sparkling with leaven;
One blow a cork out,
Then there were seven.

Seven long-necked flags,
Holding seven kinks;
Meter-reader found them,
Then there were six.

WILL CHANGE WATSON BLDG. BALL OUTFIT

General Coal Companies
Team Will Take Place in
League

MEETING TONIGHT.
A special meeting of the executive committee of the city league will be held at the Y. M. C. A. this evening, and all teams managers and members of the committee are urged to be present. There will be no city league game this evening, but the regularly scheduled game for Friday evening will be played tomorrow at the usual time.
The special meeting tonight will convene promptly at 8 o'clock.

Negotiations were started successfully yesterday to put the city league on a firm footing and to end the wrangling over eligibility of players that has marked the progress of the season thus far, and which resulted in all the games up until the one last night being thrown out of the records.

A committee composed of Messrs. Hentzelman, Gardner and Wiegell waited on Brooks Fleming yesterday afternoon to go over the baseball situation in general and the Watson Building team in particular. A very successful conference was the result. Mr. Fleming will likely do much to solve the problem which has been plaguing the league the last few weeks.

Feeling that the Watson Building could not put a team in the field composed entirely of men employed within the city limits which would be a credit to the league, he suggested that a list of players available from the various coal companies in the city be secured and if these players were satisfactory and measured up to the by-laws of the league as to eligibility, that the name Watson Building be dropped from the league and the name Coal Companies take the place of the Watson Building and finish out the schedule of said team. The players on the suggested team will all be employed within the city limits and it is expected that the fact other interests besides the Consolidation Coal Company will be represented in the new coal companies team will prove an added attraction as a drawing card and will increase interest in the league and the attendance will be increased thereby.

It is possible also that the Traction Company may put a team in the league in the near future. It was suggested that the Traction Company come into the league and be permitted to use employees from every division, but objection to covering so much territory was raised by the Monongah Glass and Owens people, and a compromise suggested that the Traction Company be permitted to use men employed within the community. This would include men at Riverdale power plant and other places it is likely that a good team together from this material after an investigation of the material available from this field a report will be made, and if it is found that all but one or two players can be secured a way will probably be found to allow the Traction Company to take care of the slight deficit from other sources.

It was a very pleasant session that was held yesterday and Mr. Fleming displayed an excellent spirit of cooperation for the success of the city league, and at the request of the committee instructed Mr. Jacobs to get busy at once on the new program, so that no time would be lost in getting the new team in the field.
With the new program being worked it is seems that the city league can proceed without trouble. The committee waiting on Mr. Fleming yesterday will have a conference with Walter Stocky of the Mining Machinery today or tomorrow and secure his sanction if possible in the new plan, and also ask his cooperation in the matter of holding close to the rules as concerns his company.

TIJUANA HUMS.
SAN DIEGO—Jim Coltrath did not close his track at Tijuana after the closing of the 100-day race meet. Things are still humming with added horses coming.

THORPE SPEEDS.
AKRON—Jim Thorpe, famous Indian athlete and now right fielder of the Buckeyes, is as fast as ever. He stole home in a recent game. They have to watch him.

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Some Local Sport Chatter

Only two men reached first base last night on Miller. One was caught stealing and the other got as far as third base by reason of a wild throw by Long when he attempted to steal second and a clean steal of third. Both these runners reached first base by reason of the fact that they stopped Miller's fast ball with some part of their anatomy.

Ridgely's catch of the line drive to right center in the seventh was a brilliant effort. Both he and Mills started after the ball, but "Goat" reached the pill just in time to snatch it before it hit the ground. It would have bounded away for a triple at least.

Miller struck out the side in the opening inning. Osborne did the same trick against the Miners in the sixth. Miller had seven strikeouts during the contest, Kettle four and Osborne three.

The support Kettle got in the first inning was enough to take the heart out of any pitcher, but he stuck gamely to his post. The speed boy was of form, though, last night and was touched up rather freely.

The Giants were bumped again yesterday by the lowly Braves to the effect of 3-1. How the mighty have fallen.

No game in the City League tonight.

Three more home runs for the great "Babe" yesterday. Fifteen to date and this is only the first of June. Should smash his own record-break-

ing record of last season before the end of the 1920 playing year.

A New York scribe has estimated that the "Babe" has made possible an average attendance this season at the Polo Grounds while the Yanks have been there of 20,000 daily. And some people thought that the Yanks had purchased a lemon.

The Reds are back in first place in the National race owing to the fact that they knocked off the Cubs yesterday, while the Phils were taking a punch at the Robins.

Now for the first invasion of the east by the west in the National and the first invasion of the west by the east in the American. After this intersectional clash, there should be a very fair line available on the major league situation.

C. Mills had a great night with the Miners last night. Up three times, three hits, two runs, three putouts, two assists and no errors.

Bob Kendall was in fine humor after the game last night. Sure was tickled with the hurling stunt turned in by Miller.

The Pittsburgh team will be glad to get away from home. They seem to have better luck on the road. They may make a wonderful record on the eastern trip if the pitchers round into form and the heavy hitters find their batting eyes.

It will be good news to the fans that the difficulties of the City league seem near solution. All the local fans want to see the City league go along on a sound basis.

HOW THEY STAND CITY LEAGUE.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Mining Machinery.....	1	0	1.000
Monongah Glass	0	0	.000
Watson Building	0	0	.000
West Virginian	0	0	.000
Stevenson	0	0	.000
Owens	0	1	.000

NATIONAL LEAGUE YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Brooklyn, 4; Philadelphia, 6.
St. Louis, 6; Pittsburgh, 2.
Cincinnati, 5; Chicago, 3.
Boston, 9; New York, 1.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Cincinnati	25	16	.610
Brooklyn	22	15	.595
Chicago	24	18	.571
Pittsburgh	19	19	.500
Boston	18	19	.486
St. Louis	19	22	.463
New York	15	23	.399
Philadelphia	15	25	.375

GAMES TODAY.

Brooklyn at Philadelphia.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh.
New York at Boston.
Chicago-St. Louis, not scheduled.

AMERICAN LEAGUE YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Chicago, 7; St. Louis, 3.
Detroit, 5; Cleveland, 8.
Washington, 7; New York, 8 (First game).

Washington, 7; New York, 6 (Second game).
Boston-Philadelphia, not scheduled.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	27	12	.692
New York	25	16	.610
Boston	22	16	.579
Chicago	21	18	.538
Washington	20	20	.500
St. Louis	14	23	.378
Philadelphia	15	25	.375
Detroit	12	26	.316

GAMES TODAY.

Boston at Washington.
Washington at New York.
Others not scheduled.

LOCAL STAR PITCHES NO HIT BATTLE

Steve Miller Holds Owens
Club Down Without a
Bingle.

Sturdy Steve Miller pitched himself into the city league hall of fame last evening at South Side park when he did not allow the Owens team a hit or run in the seven inning encounter and won his game for the Mining Machinery 8-0. Miller's pitching was the outstanding feature of the contest, and he was given a big hand by the crowd for his great work. So effective was his hurling that only two balls were hit out of the infield and strangely enough these were hit by the last two men to bat for the Owens in the seventh round. Hartley hit one on the nose in this round with one down that looked like a three base hit as it sailed between right and center, but "Goat" Ridgely came racing over from center and made a sensational catch of the fast flying ball and saved Miller's no hit record. Osborne the last man to bat for Owens ended the game with a high fly which P. Mills gathered in out in right field without any trouble.

Kettle who was on the mound for the Bottles was hit hard in spots and was given very ragged support, especially in the first inning when the left fielder made three errors in succession and permitted three Miners to cross the plate. Osborne pitched the last inning for the Bottles and retired the side without any difficulty.

Threatening weather kept down the crowd at the game last night. It seemed certain for a time that the game before enough innings had been played to constitute a game, but after blowing several tons of dust off the diamond into the stands, the storm passed over with no more rain coming to earth than a fine sprinkle, which did not halt the contest.

	AB.	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Owens—						
Boyer, 2b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Korke, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Hartley, ss	3	0	0	0	0	0
Osborne, 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0
West, 1b	2	0	0	0	0	0
Kettle, p-3b	2	0	0	0	0	0
Huffman, c	1	0	0	0	0	0
L. Banner, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
J. Banner, if	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cutlip, if	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	20	0	0	0	0	0

	AB.	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
F. M. M. Co.—						
Noble, 3b	3	2	0	1	2	0
C. Mills, ss	3	2	3	3	2	0
Kendall, 2b	3	3	2	0	1	0
Long, c	3	1	0	0	0	0
Ridgely, mf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Bogges, 1b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Fleming, if	3	0	0	0	0	0
Humphreys, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Miller, p	3	0	0	0	0	0
P. Mills, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	27	8	8	21	9	1

Two base hits, C. Mills, Kendall, Long. Three base hits, Kendall, Long. Hit by pitcher, Huffman, L. Banner. Left on bases, Owens, 1; F. M. M. Co., 1. First base on errors, Owens, 0; F. M. M. Co., 3. Struck out, by Kettle, 4 (Bogges, Fleming, 2, Humphreys); by Osborne, 3 (Fleming, P. Mills, Miller); by Miller, 7 (Boyer, 2, Korke, 2, Hartley, West, Cutlip). Hits apportioned, off Kettle, 8 in 3 innings, off Osborne, 0 in 1 inning.
Umpire, Grimes.

BEST HORSE YET.
ALBANY—Trainers say Man O'War is the greatest horse, the most beautiful and the most "thoroughbred" of turf history.

Three and Two

It's art that keeps such masters
As Britton still at the top—
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And though titles are passed around
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His master has not been found.

Confidence is the thing that keeps
any champion in the lead.

Go down the line. They are all the same, to be good you have to know that you really are. No press agent can put you there. Gold will tell.

The secret of Ty Cobb, Tris Speaker, Willie Hoppe, Walter Hagen, Jack Dempsey, all of them are the same.

A slump don't ruin a real champion. He has the stuff in him to overcome it and get back to his old stride. Cobb knows he has more chances of hitting the ball than the pitcher has of striking him out. Speaker goes after every ball, believing he will catch it. Hoppe plays billiards, while his rivals try to play Hoppe. Hagen often comes down to the final holes with someone else leading, but he attends to his game and is certain of his victory. The same thing made Dempsey a champion and it is keeping Britton still at the top in his class.

The new stars come up. They are rushed into matches with champions. Rarely do they finish in the lead for their confidence weakens at the last minute. Their game cracks at the critical point, while the Champion is oozing with the winning spirit and plays his game as the art he has made of it.

To be a champion is to be an artist. A faint heart never won a fair lady or made a home run or dealt a knock out or lifted a crown.

Maybe even a bout with Carpenter might be arranged if Jack would cut 20 per cent—or half a million dollars—off his purse. We can think of a lot of things that ought to be reduced—among which are the prices demanded by boxing champions.

Denver used to be the feeder for the other clubs in the Western Association. It was a winner then. The team went bad and slid down. The people did the same thing. The club nearly starved and finally dropped out of the league. The city is without organized baseball now.

RASTLING DIPPY.

NASHVILLE—The wrestling game has hit Nashville with a sudden wave of popularity. The past few matches drew in \$30,000 houses.

ANYBODY SEEN KELLY?
NEW YORK.—Fans aren't going crazy over the Giants this year but they all love George Kelly, the string bean awkward first baseman.

LISTEN AT GRAVVY.
PHILADELPHIA.—"I hope Babe Ruth hangs up a new record but I'm glad the bambino isn't in my league," says Gravy Cravath.

SHAWKEY'S NEW TITLE.
NEW YORK.—Since Pitcher Bob Shawkey polished off Umpire Hildebrand he has acquired a pugilistic title. It's "Battling Bob," now.

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